SEEN ON THE BENCH

How the Clubs Are Doing Compared With Last Season.

THE WESTERN TEAMS' OPPORTUNITY

Weakness in the Box of the Washingtons.

ENCOURAGING THE PLAYERS

These are the days when the western clubs should be making hay while the sun shines, but, without going into official figures, they are faring worse this year than last with their eastern opponents. When the schedule was made out last year the western clubs were given the advantage of the first home series with the eastern clubs, as the magnates recognized the fact that the former was the weaker end of the big organization, and by giving them the advantage of a good start-off, better patronage and standing in the pennant race would

Last year their calculations proved correct. This season they appear to have gone awry. Chicago, Cleveland and Cincinnati are the only clubs that are playing up to last year's form, while Pittsburg, St. Louis and Louisville are slowly but surely dropping back in the race.

If the three best clubs in the western

wing of the league can only hold their own while playing games at home, it is a correct conclusion to arrive at that the comng eastern trip will prove disastrous to the er tire six western clubs. Pittsburg has proved to be the rankest quitter of the league this season, but a correct explanation of the cause is almost impossible when the pugnacious capabilities of the team are

Compared with last year's team the Pittsburgs should be heading the procession with a comfor able margin. They led last year with two ordinary men at short and third, and with Killen not in condition. This season with Ely at short, Lyons at third, both of whom are playing excep-tionally good ball, and Killen in fine fettle, the club is almost a hundred points behind ast year in the percentages.

If Hawley and Killen continue the yellow

streak developed in the Washington and Baltimore series, the Pittsburg club will be crowded out of the first division before the eastern trip is concluded. The other two weak teams in the western

division, St. Louis and Louisville, have proved lamentable failures, especially after so much was expected of them by their friends. St. Louis, on paper, looked to have been strengthened, but the contrary has been the case. There are so many "whys been the case. There are so many "whys and wherefores" in connection with the St. Louis situation that it would take columns for an adequate explanation. Louisville is playing poor ball simply because it hasn't the players who are familiar enough with the game to compete with seasoned clubs. But one experienced player, "Foghorn" Miller, is on the team, and from the way he has been knocking around with the race track people it would be better if the team made up of youngsters in its entirety. Of the eastern wing of the league, New York has proved to be the only rank outsider, in the parlance of the race track. Had the New York management signed usle it is safe to say they would be doing etter this year than last, and in that cas there would have been a good chance of crowding the entire six western clubs into the second column of the percentage tables. this time last season had a percentage of 333, while today it is hugging tenaciously to the 500 mark. This club is doing, apparently, the worst work of the tion, excepting New York, while in reality they are away ahead of last sea-The Senators are also over 100 better than last year in the percentages and the indications are that they will surely io great work when the club returns National Park. Philadelphia, Boston and imore have all improved over last year, lubs will have to hoe for the remain. der of the season will be more than usually

It makes a great difference in forming a decision on a certain play whether the judge, if he be a newspaper writer, is with the man that carries his point successfully or with the one that is "thrown down." Two cases worth discussing came from Cin-cinnati last Saturday and Sunday. In Saturday's game the reports read that Jenpings won the game by knocking down Third Baseman Irwin and scoring the winning run, while in reality Mr. Irwin was the aggressor, and, in trying to block Jennings off third base, ran against a player who knows the "block game" from A to Z. Irwin was doing what any other player would have done under the circumstances even Capt. Anson, the Chesterfield of the diamond, who never did a dishonorable trick in his life. Several players on the Cincinnati team have admitted that Jenrings did nothing irregular. At the same time, it was Irwin's play to block the run-ner if he could. He hadn't time to brace himself for the collision, that's all, and he got the worst of it.

The other case developed during Sunday's

game between Washington and Cincinnati. Maul was pitching poor ball, and no doubt felt sore when "Little Tim" Hurst threw a few drops of water on him, but that was hardly an excuse for the pitcher to throw a bat at the little umpire. Later reports indicate that Maul was all in the wrong, but the newspaper stories sent east put an entirely different complexion upon the af-fair. It makes all the difference in the world whether the newspaper man travel-ing with the visiting club is there for the purpose of bolstering up mistakes or to "roast" them on every occasion. Both ways are bad. Conservative criticism is what is

From indications the Senators are weak where it was thought they were well for-tified; that is in the pitcher's box. It would appear as if the wrong men were sent into Virginia. McJames is doing poorly and Anderson is in the same class. When the former gets them over the plate the ball is laced out regularly, and when he is wild he is wild, indeed. Malarkey in his wildest games was no worse, and he did really better work when the ball went over the plate. Then Cilroy was given a chance to pitch only two innings in a regular game this season, but these two innings were "beauty brights," not a hit being made off him, and he was as steady as an eight-day clock. But Capt. Joyce can be relied upon to play no favorites, and what is best for the club will be forthcoming before it is too late, as the captain-manager wants to win games. Anderson, Maul, German and Mc-James may yet come to the front as win-ners, and if they do what a merry clip the Senatorial aggregation will cut out for their opponents! So far, on the western trip they have done all the conservative followers of the game can wish. To break even away from home is a great novelty for a Washington club, and what they will do at home "will be a plenty."

Another good ball player who was thought to possess the qualities that go to make up a good captain has fallen by the wayside. When Latham went to the St. Louis club it was thought his generalship would be of more advantage to the club than his playing, but the contrary has proved to be the case, and now Roger Conner, a man who couldn't protest if he was being lynched, has been made captain and manager. Latham's case parallels those of Doyle, McGraw, Kelley and McCarthy. All these players are great lieutenants, but when given supreme command show a wonderful lack of generalship, a quality easy to assume they would possess. Doyle was given command of the New Yorks, and what a failure he was. Kelley once had charge of the Baltimores, but Hanlon an-ticipated the failure and put Robinson in command. George Davis used to be a "kicker," and was given command of the New Yorks at the beginning of last season. but his experience as a commander has evidently taken all his nerve, as he seldom opens his mouth now to utter a pro-test. Capt. Joyce is one lieutenant who profited by the teachings of a great general, and really has the capacity for com-manding. He thoroughly understands the game, and has under him a group of play-ers who sincerely admire him, and instead of being fealous, cannot do too much to

boom their big captain into popularity. Harry Weldon, the bright particular star of the base ball department of the Cincin-nati Erquirer, wrote the following para-graph after witnessing last Sunday's game between the Washingtons and Cincinnatis:

Ewing to Umpire Emslie, when Gray was at the bat in the fifth inning. Rogers would squat down every time Maul pitched, and if Emslie's decision didn't suit him he would wave his arms in disgust. In fact, there is no time when the game is close that the Senators haven't about five captains. The addition of Rogers has not heiped to make drawing room beauties of the Senators, as Emslie called him down several times. The game put up by the Senators reminds one of the St. Louis Browns in their palmy days. Every man kicks, whether he has one coming or not, and when one fellow makes a good play the rest of the team jollies him It is not a bad example for other teams to emulate. The jollying feature is certainly that he has some license to be in the game and thus installs confidence in him. Joyce is bound to make a good showing."

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PITCHERS' GREAT WORK.

Senators Held Down to Two Hits and Browns to Four.

Breitenstein and Mercer were pitted against each other yesterday, and the famous south-winged twirler had somewhat the better of the argument. He held the Senators down to two hits, struck out six men and gave three bases on balls. Mercer allowed the Browns but four hits, struck out one man and gave three bases away It was the finest pitchers' battle this year and the visitors lose none of their prestig in dropping a game to such a pitcher.

Washington's two runs were made on two-bagger by Lush, who was sent to the bat in place of Brown, and an error by Niland. Had it not been for the error Breitthe Senators out. The Browns made their runs in the first on Dowd's hit, Cooley's base on balls, Joe Quinn's sacrifice, Connor's base on balls and Myers' hit to shortstop, which allowed Dow'l to score, while Connor was forced at second, the second un being made by Cooley stealing home of the play to catch Myers at second. In the seventh Breitenstein made a double and Cooley a triple, the latter bringing in the second run of the inning on Joe Quinn's

ong drive to Selbach.
Inability to bat Breitenstein was th prime cause of the loss of the game, the lefthanders being powerless before the south-paw.Selbach lost a nome run through Parrott's fine catch, and the same fielder spoiled a long hit for Rogers in the eighth. Selbach also robbed Roger Connor of at least a three-base hit after a long sprint and his fielding generally was up to the standard.

In the second inning Selbach made scratch single, and went to third on Mc-Farland's wild throw. On McGuire's hit to Quinn Selbach came home and crossed the plate in time, but Emslie declared him out, McFarland admitting after the game that the plucky little left fielder was safe. Joyce and Umpire Emslie had an exchange of courtesies, and Scrappy narrowly escaped

WASHINGTON Dowd, cf. . 1 1 1 0 0 Lush, cf. . 1 1 1 0 0 Cooley, lf. . 3 1 2 0 0 Brown, cf. . 0 0 0 0

Earned runs—St. Louis, 2. Two-base hits—Breit-erstein, Lush, Three-base hit—Cooley, Stolea basis—Cooley, Meyers, Cartwright, First base on balls—Off Breitenstein, 3; off Mercer, 3. Struck cut—By Breitenstein, 6; by Mercer, 1. Time—Two hours, Umpire—Ensile.

New Yorks Tried a New Pitcher in

Cleveland won as it pleased yesterday from the misnamed Giants, batting Dopitcher, freely. The fielding on both sides was loose. Attendance, 1,200. The score:

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CLEVELAND.

R.H.O.A.E.
Burkett, If. 1 3 0 0 0
W.Kcan, ss. 1 3 3 3 1 Vn H'tn.ef. 0 1 2 0 1
Childs, 2b. 1 0 2 4 0 G.Davis,3b. 0 0 1 1 0
Tebeau, Ib. 1 213 3 6 Tiernan, rf. 1 0 2 0 0
Zimmer, c. 1 2 4 2 0 Gleason, 2b. 1 1 4 5 0
O'Cennor,rf. 0 0 1 0 0 Stafford, If. 1 1 1 0 0
Blake, ef. 0 0 2 0 0 H.Davis,1b. 0 1 10 2 0
M'Garr, 3b. 2 1 0 0 2 Dobeny, p. 1 0 1 1 1
Wilson, p. 3 3 2 5 0 C'mpi'd, p. 0 0 0 2 0
Farrell, c. 0 2 5 1 0
Con'a'h'n*. 0 0 0 0 0

Totals....10 14 27 17 3 Totals.... 4 7 27 15 2 *Batted for Doheny in sixth inning. Cleveland...... 0 2 3 0 0 3 0 0 2-10 New York...... 0 1 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 4 Cieveiand.

New York.

0 1 0 3 0 0 0 0 0 4

Earned runs-Cleveland, 7; New York, 1. Twobase hits-Burkett, McKean, Wilson, Farrell,
Three-base hit—H. Davis, Sacrifice hits-Childs,
O'Comor. Home run-Burkett. Stolen bases—McKean, Childs, Tebeau, McGarr, Wilson, Donble
plays—Tebeau, McKean, Wilson; Childs, McKean
and Tebeau; Fuller, Gleason, H. Davis, First base
on balls-Off Wilson, 4; off Doheny, 4; off Campfield, 2. Left on bases—Cleveland, 8; New York, 5,
Struck out—By Wilson, 4; by Campfield, 1. Passed
ball—Zlinmer, 1. First by errors—Cleveland, 1;
New York, 3. Time of game—Two hours. Umpire

Lynch.

Colonels Have Had an Injection.

The Colonels made it three straight vicories yesterday and defeated the Philadelphia sluggers through bunching hits. The Quakers could not hit Smith with any result. McCreery's fielding was a feature. Capt. Nash was struck on the head by a pitched ball and had to retire. At-

LOUISVILLE. PHILADELPHIA

Totals.... 9 9 27 10 2 Totals.... 3 10 24 12 3 Louisville...... 0 5 0 2 0 0 2 0 x— Philacelphia...... 2 0 0 0 0 0 1 0—

Only Six Singles for Baltimore. Friend pitched the Colts to victory yesterday over the Orioles, allowing the champions but six singles, scattered throughout the game. Chicago's errors were costly, but hits were bunched when they meant runs. Attendance, 3,100,

they meant runs. Attendance, 3,100.

CHICAGO.

R.H.O.A.E.

Everitt, 3b. 2 2 0 1 1

Dahlen, ss. 2 3 4 3 1 Keeler, r.f.lf 1 2 3 0 0

Lange, cf. 0 1 3 1 0 Jennings, ss 1 1 1 8 1

Ryan, rf. 1 1 1 0 0 Kelley, lf.rf 2 0 0 0 0

Truby, 2b. 0 0 0 2 0 Brodie, cf. 2 1 2 0 1

Decker, lb. 1 7 0 0 Reitz, 2b. 0 0 2 3 0

Flynn, lf. 1 1 6 0 1 Robinson, c 0 2 3 0 2

Kittridge, c 0 0 5 1 1 Donnelly, 3b. 0 2 0 2 0

Friend, p. 1 1 0 0 0 M'Mahon, p 0 0 0 0 0

Pittsburg Lost on Errors. The Pirates and the Beaneaters both batted hard yesterday, but Pittsburg's three errors each allowed a run, and this lost them the game. Attendance, 2,800,

them the game. Attendance, 2,500.

PITISBURG.

BOSTON.

R.H.O.A.E.

Donovan, rl. 0 0 2 1 0

Smith, lf... 2 2 1 0 0 H'm't'n,ef. 3 1 3 0 1

Beckley, lb. 1 110 0 0 Long, ss... 1 2 1 7 0

Stenzel, cf. 2 4 1 0 0

Lyons, 3b... 1 1 3 1 1

Duffy, lf... 0 0 3 0 0

B'r'b'uer, 2b 0 1 5 4 0

Garzel, c... 1 2 2 0 0

Ely, ss... 0 2 1 4 2 0 H'r'ng'n,3b. 1 2 2 2 0

Hawley, p. 0 0 0 1 0 Nichols, p. 0 1 0 3 0 Pittsburg....... 1 0 0 1 0 0 0 8 1— Boston....... 1 1 2 0 1 0 1 2 0—

League Games Today Washington at St. Louis. Baltimore at Chicago. New York at Cleveland. Philadelphia at Louisville. Boston at Pittsburg. Brooklyn at Cincinnati.

Base Ball Gossip. Johnny Ward, if he could have been secured, would not have been dear for Louisville if they would have had to pay \$10,000 for his services for the rest of the season Even with the handicap of \$10,000, the club

would have come out even on the season, where it is now booked to lose that much and next season money would have been The St. Louis club should undoubtedly

make a better showing. With a man like Joyce on third base to captain the team, there is hardly a club in the league that would have a license to beat them two out of three. A brainy, hustling captain is wanted, but where is such a man to be had? That is the question.
"Dummy" Hoy made his first error of the season in last Tuesday's game, and now the papers in Cincinnati are publishing para-graphs about his weakness on ground balls.

That's encouragement for you. Tommy Dowd is playing the game of his life this season for St. Louis. His one-hand catch last Tuesday in deep center resulted in a double play, and made Magnate Von Der Ahe quite enthuslastic over the player. The first time he makes an error or strikes

nate's opinion. Short Stop Dahlen of the Chicagos is men-tioned-little these days, but for all that he is quite up with the leaders in the matter of put-outs, assists and batting, besides conibuting in no small way to the success of

the club by his coaching.

Manager McGunigle of the Louisvilles is showing his wisdom in going after seasoned players. In securing Treadway for right field he has not got a first-class player, but he is far and away a better man than several others on the team. Treadway is a great fielder, base runner and throwe if he could hit he would never have left Bal-

It is reported that the many friends of pitcher Mercer will place a \$10 bill in the bouquet they are going to give him when he goes into the box for the first time at National Park, with which to pay the fine

National Park, with which to pay the fine recently levied by Umpire Lynch.
Capt. Duffy of the Bostons is getting good work out of Jack Stivetts this season, but he appears to be about the only one there is on the team that can help Nichols out.
Young and Cuppy will have to do the Young and Cuppy will have to do the work they did last year to land the Clevelands near the top. Chamberlain has apparently gone to pieces, while Wallace and

Wilson cannot be depended upon in a pinch.
Brooklyn has not struck her proper gait
yet, although doing better up to the present time than last year. Kennedy, Stein and Daub have done very poorly so far, but can be depended upon to do good work before Decoration day has passed. Joe Sullivan is still holding on to center field for the Phillies. His fielding is all neid for the Phillies. His neiding is all right, but he has taken a slump in batting, and this defect carrot be tolerated in Quakerdom. If you can't hit over 300 right along off the reel Philadelphia has little

use for you. A Cleveland writer in making man to man comparisons between the Brooklyn and Washington teams finds that the latter has none the worst of it. Nichols, before going west, won every game he pitched for the Bostons in the east, five in all. Since he left the east he

has won only one game out of three. His record this season is six games won and two lost. Stivetts is pitching great ball this season. He has lost only one game and won five. Tacks Parrott created much amusement Monday as he struggled up to the plate with a bat which looked like a telegraph

rele, but he nearly broke McMahon's neart by making a home-run hit in center field.
"Tacks" also made two singles with the same stick, and President Von der Ahe felt so good that he remitted that \$10 fine imposed upon Parrott by the recent manager. "The Pittsburgs are a gang of quitters," says Al Selbach. "If you can get one or two runs the best of them up to the sixth inning they will take up a collection among themselves to present you the game on a silver tray. I will say for the Washingtons

that there isn't a man on the team who will quit. Joyce would make a hustler and a fighter out of any ball player that lives, and I believe he could even inject sand into Hawley."

There was a great change in the positions of the first division yesterday. Pitts-burg is the only club retaining its position. Baltimore sinks to a tie at sixth, while Cleveland rises from fourth to share with Pittsburg first place. Philadelphia, again defeated by the Colonels, drops to third po-

GEORGETOWN WON EASILY.

The University of Virginia Team Had an Off Day.

sition. Boston and Chicago each rise one

If any doubt existed prior to yesterday's game between Geergetown and the University of Virginia that the wearers of the blue and the gray were superior in base ball it is dissipated. The University of Virginia nine was not in 't for a minute. Eleven errors to Georgetown's six, eleven hits to Georgetown's twenty-three and eleven runs to Georgetown's thirty-one. The University of Virginia seems to dote on 11, but the sooner it gets that figure out of its mind in relation to errors the nearer it will ome to winning a college championship.

Mahoney pitched for four innings and struck out three men. He was then relieved by Lambert, and although that player was just recovering from illness, he struck out the first two men up. The Correctory team betted like feeds Flow Georgetown team batted like fiends, Fleming and Mahoney making two-base hits, Harley, Mahoney and Lambert making three-bargers and Harley, Reardon and Mahoney making home runs.

Georgetown won the game in the first in-ning, when ten runs resulted before the University of Virginia woke up to the fact that they were engaged with a ball team. After that hard batting and indifferent fielding allowed them to make about as many more runs as they pleased. But for all that the game was not devoid of interest or enthusiasm, and the spectators, many of whom were Virginia rooters, made plenty of noise to spur the lagging players. The second game will take place today, and it is probable that Mahoney will start in again to do the pitchirg, going out for that reason yesterday after the fourth in-ning. The game will be a little closer than yesterday's contest, and the University of Virginia boys feel confident that they will make a little better showing. Mr. Heydler umpired yesterday and his decisions gave general satisfaction. The score:

GEORGETOWN.

R.H.O.A.E.
Harley, If., 7 5 4 0 0
Fleming, 2b 4 4 0 4 0
McKim, 2b, 1 0 0 5 1
McCarthy, cf 3 0 1 1 0
McCarthy, cf 3 0 1 1 0
McGuire, rf 1 2 0 0 1
M'hon'y,plb 3 4 7 2 0
Haxton, 3b, 1 2 4 2 3
Lamb't, lb, p 1 4 2 1 2
Bonney, If. 1 1 2 0 1
McIa'lin,3b 3 1 1 3 2
Cochran, c, 0 1 4 0 1
Reardon, ss 4 3 1 2 1
Craig, ss... 1 1 5 2 1
Lamb, rf... 4 1 1 1 0
Maloney, c, 2 1 10 0 1
Kern, cf... 3 2 2 0 1

Totals... 31 23 27 14 6 Totals... 11 11 27 9 11



"That's the worst of this 'new woman bwsiness! A fellah cawn't put on his golf clothes now without being taken for a TOPICS OF WHEELMEN

Long-Drawn-Out Suit of the Georgetown Cycle Club.

PROPOSED ORGANIZATION OF THE C. A. C.

Preparing for the Races of Decoration Day.

FOURTH OF JULY MEETING

The long-drawn-out law, suit of the old Georgetown Cycle Club has at last been completed and the surviving club members come out with victory perched on their side. The defendants in the case were Nelson, Morris & Co., and the matter has been in dispute for over two years. This legal fight was the only thing which prevented the adjustment of the affairs of the club at the time of its disbandment, and as nothing new stands in the way, the affairs of the old club will be speedily adjudicated.

The origin of the trouble dates from shortly after the close of the successful fair of the Georgetown Cycle Club at the Washington Light Infantry armory for raising funds to construct a race track. This was in the days of the old associated cycling clubs. Among the many things donated to the club was a wheel which was not disposed of and remained on the hands of the club. As a means of raising additional revenue, the wheel was sold to one of the members of the club on the installment plan, and the first sum paid down before the wheel was given up. The mem-ber who bought the wheel had it in his possession but a short time. While on the streets one day riding the bicycle a constable seized it to satisfy a judgment which had been rendered against the member in

favor of Nelson, Morris & Co.

The club did rot care to lose possession of the wheel, and immediately replevined the wheel, putting up a bond for \$100. The matter was carried into the higher courts, where it has been ever since. When the last meeting of the club was held the matter was still rending, and all the money on hand was divided among the members ex-cept the \$100 put up as a bond in case the suit went against them. Wednesday Judge Cole heard the case and gave a decision in favor of the cycle club, awarding them one cent damages. This means that the club secures possession of the wheel, together with the full amount of their bond which they filed, and the entire amount will be divided among the members who were in the club at the time of its disbandment. meeting will be held soon, when the matter will be arranged, and will close up entirely the affairs of a club which at one time was the leading cycling organization in the Dis-

An attempt is being made to organize a bleycle club among the members of the Columbia Athletic Club, and a meeting with that object in view has been called for tonight at the club house at 10 o'clock. About a month ago a meeting was called with the same object in whew, but so few responded the project was dropped. The failure to obtain a good attendance is attributed to the fact that the hour aranged for the affair was entirely too early and too inconvenient for a majority of the bicyclists of the club.

Since that time the matter has been talked over between a number of people inter-ested in seeing a respectable organization of cyclists in the club, and the result has been the calling of the meeting for this evening. Some time ago a census of the bleyclists of the club was taken and it was found that there were sixty-seven riders in the club. Since that time the number has materially increased and now it is expected that it will come close to the hundred mark.

The projectors of the scheme are Messrs

Hart Brittain, Harry Stiles, Charles reason to believe that the bleyclists of the club will form into an organization, and the projectors expect to have every man who rides a wheel come into the organization. As the club has been recognized as the leading athletic club in the District, so it is hoped to make the bicycle branch the leading cycling organization in the city, and with this end in view the people be-

hind the scheme are working hard. While bicycling is recognized as a sport by the club the cyclists have no direct representative on the board of governors. Indirectly, Mr. Cabrera is their representative, and a good man he is for the position. It has been but a little over a year since the club recognized bicycling as a sport, and Mr. G. W. Cook, who was formerly captain of the Georgetown Cycling Club, was elected as a representative of the sport on the board of governors. He served in the posi-tion, and his hustling abilities had a good deal to do toward making the race meet of the club held last Decoration day the great success that it was. Business demanding the attention of Mr. Cook, he was forced to resign from the club, and since that time the cycling branch of the organization has been in a dormant state.

Mr. Brittain, who is pushing the scheme with much energy, is not only anxious to see an organization of the cyclists effected, but he is also desirous of seeing runs star: from the club house, carrying out fifty or sixty or more wheelmen. He sees no reason why this could not be done and he calculates on the assistance of others to accomplish this result. If this is done, more will be accomplished than any cycling club in the District has ever done, for not since the history of cycling in the District has any club carried out sixty members on a

With the approach to completion of the International track the prospect of good racing brightens. The first race of the season will come off Decoration day, when the Washington Road Club opens the park with a race meet. The arrangements are men. being hustled through by the energetic race committee and good sport will be promised. The entry blanks have been distributed among local bicycle stores, and a large number have been sent out to neighboring cities in hopes of having crack outside racers compete with the Washington boys for honors on the track. The committee is now actively engaged in getting up the prizes, and also in arranging for an elaborate program, which will be distributed as a

The entries for the handicap events will close next Saturday evening, and then be turned over to the official handicapper of the District League of American Wheelmen, Capt. William Jose, who will arrange the distances for the men who will race. The entries for the open event will not be closed until the following Monday, so as to give all a chance to compete in the different races. ent races.

What promises to be the most interesting

What promises to be the most interesting thing on the program outside of the race for the championship of the District will be a race which was arranged for last evening at a meeting of the Arlington Wheelmen. The meeting was a special one, called for the purpose to casider the advisability of challenging the Washington Road Club to a track team race, to come off on May 30, in conjunction with the race meet for the club track supremacy of the District. The distance was fixed at five miles, and the team of each club limited to three men, making six men in the race. The men, making six men in the race. The challenge was immediately forwarded to the secretary of the Washington Road Club, and in all probability if will be accepted. The issuance of the challenge grows out of a little matter which occurred last fall, when the Washington Road Club challenged the Arlington Wheelmen for a 20-mile road race for the club road supremacy of the District. The challenge was accepted, and a date set, but the meeting fell through, and the Road Club could have secured the championship through default. This second championship through default. This the Road Club refused to do, spurning to accept the honor unless they could win it in com-petition, and a resolution was passed de-claring that no club held the championship

The next meet which comes up will be on July 4, when the Queer Wheelmen will give their first race meet. The race will be held at the International Park, and will undoubtedly be an interesting event. The club decided to give the meet at a special meeting held Wednesday evening at their club rooms, and so far no prepara- R. C. Lewis & Son, tions have been made. The sanction for 1421 NEW YORK AVENUE

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the day has already been secured, and all that remains for the club to do is to run

Roughly outlined, the plan is to make the race an interesting event to all parties. The list of events has not been decided upon, nor is it probable that it will until a week or more, but it is proposed to hold a number of open and handicap events, and, in addition to this, have several races which will amuse the spectators in general. An obstruction race, a slow race and a number of other events will be introduced on the program. A special meeting of the club has been called for Monday evening. at which full arrangements will be made for the meet, and at which officers will be to hustle and boom the thing along.

One thing which is bound to delight the lovers of bicycle sport will be the announcement that an additional day has been secured for the national circuit meet, which will be held in Washington in October. The circuit has just started in California and will work eastward, closing at Washand will work eastward, closing at washington. In the request for the circuit meet in this city only one day was asked for, but as this city will be the closing point of the circuit races, an additional day has been requested and allowed, making two days of excellent sport to which

A new record was established Thursday T. N. Mudd, jr., succeeded in making the circuit in 1:22, this being an unpaced record. The best time around the White Lot was made some time ago by Fred. Simms. whose time was 1:21, but he received pacing. The distance around the White Lot is placed at five-eighths of a mile, and though the roadway is comparatively level, though the roadway is comparatively level, it is not good by any means for fast riding. At 1:21 for the circuit is equivalent to a mile in 2:09 3-5, and, taking everything into consideration, this is remarkably fast time. At 1:22 for the course the same rate of speed for a mile is equivalent to a time of 2:111-5. The record of Mudd was timed by a stop watch, and he outdis-tanced a number of riders who endeavored to tack on and keep up the heavy pace

The annual election of officers of the Capital Bi. Club was held at the regular meeting last Saturday evening and resulted in the change of several on the old board. Mr. Frank S. Stevens, who served as vice president last year, was elected to the presidency, vice Irving Williamson, who did not care to remain in office, Norris Macdaniel was elected vice president to fill the vacancy caused by the promotion of Mr. Stevens to the presidency. A. J. Henry was elected to the treasurership, and C. J. Allen to the secretaryship, both of these serving last year. Dr. J. Bart-lett Hills was re-elected to the captaincy. A board of directors was elected, consisting of Messrs. L. L. Harban, Joseph Leaming, Irving Williamson and W. F. Roberts.

Tomorrow the club will take a spin which

is called the "Messback Run" to Dickey's, desiring to bring out the old riders who have come forth with brand-new safeties. It is expected that a large crowd will go out. Last Sunday the club took a run to Ashton, and Capt. Hills carried out fifteen

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